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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO THE
PRESIDENT FROM CHILEAN PRESIDENT PINOCHET

1. FYI FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED THROUGH CHILEAN EMBASSY
IN WASHINGTON:

QUOTE TODAY ON THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACCEPT OUR GREETINGS, EXCELLENCY,
ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF CHILE, AND IN MY
OWN NAME, BY WHICH WE JOIN IN THE REJOICING WITH WHICH YOUR
GREAT NATION IS CELEBRATING THIS OCCASION.

THE TRADITIONAL TIES OF FRUITFUL COOPERATION AND THE COMMON
IDEALS OF OUR TWO NATIONS, OF LIVING AND PROGRESSING IN THE
ENJOYMENT OF FREEDOM AND SOVEREIGNTY, CONFER A SPECIAL
HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE TO THIS ANNIVERSARY.

I CONVEY TO YOUR EXCELLENCY OUR SINCERE WISHES FOR YOUR
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PERSONAL GOOD FORTUNE AND THE PROSPERITY OF THE PEOPLE OF

THE UNITED STATES. E GENERAL AUGUSTO PINOCHET
UGARTE, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHILE. END QUOTE.

2. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT FORD SHOULD BE
DELIVERED TO THE PRESIDENT:

QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE, MRS. FORD AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR MOST WELCOME
MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES ON THE COMMEMORATION OF THE 200TH
ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATION'S INDEPENDENCE.

AS WE ENTER OUR THIRD CENTURY, THE UNITED STATES REDEDI-
CATES ITSELF IN WORD AND DEED TO THE PRINCIPLES OF LIBERTY,
EQUALITY AND INDIVIDUAL DIGNITY. WE DO SO WITH THE ANTICI-
PATION AND CONFIDENCE THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES
WILL CONTINUE TO FLOURISH. SINCERELY YOURS, GERALD R. FORD
END QUOTE.

3. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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